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Application Number 10/698,702	Filed October 31, 2003

For INTERBODY FUSION GRAFTS AND INSTRUMENTATION

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period	for filing a reply in the above identified
application.	

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

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Applic	cant claims small entity status. See 37 CFF	R 1.27.					
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